

Remarks

Applicants request reconsideration in view of the amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants' representative conducted a telephone interview with Examiner Alexander on May 28, 2009 and June 4, 2009 to discuss claim amendments to address the rejection of claims 1-26 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. By this Amendment, the amendments to claims 1, 12 and 18 discussed in the June 4, 2009, telephone interview have been implemented. It was agreed upon that the amendments to claims 1, 12 and 18 would overcome the rejection of claims 1-26 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. Accordingly, Applicants request that the rejection of claims 1-26 be withdrawn.

The application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If any issues remain concerning this application, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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